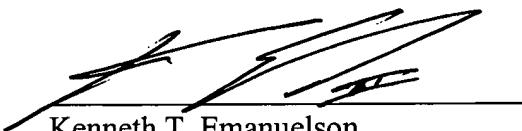


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant has amended the claims solely to expedite the present case to issue. Applicant respectfully submits that the above claims do not add new matter and their entry is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are presently in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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